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# HAMILTON COLLEGE, *Clinton, N. Y.*

## MATTERS OF INTEREST IN CONNECTION WITH THE INSTITUTION WHICH HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THE LAST COMMENCEMENT—WHAT IS SAID OF DR. M. W. STRYKER, THE NEW PRESIDENT—A LETTER FROM PROF. NORTH—NEW PRO- FESSORS APPOINTED—THE TRUS- TEE MEETINGS.

THE pamphlet containing an account of the last commencement exercises at Hamilton College, and mailed to all the alumni, called out many gratifying acknowledgments. This second pamphlet is calculated to convey information of interest to all the alumni regarding happenings in connection with the institutions since July 5. So much is occurring nowadays that more than the anticipated number of pamphlets must be issued to keep up with the times. The college never had brighter prospects than those with which it enters upon this year's work. The alumni and friends of Hamilton are earnestly urged to have a share in advancing its welfare.

It is requested that any item of interest to the college, change of address, names of young men preparing for college, suggestions, etc., be forwarded to Geo. E. Dunham, *Daily Press* Office, Utica, N. Y., where they will be accorded attention promptly. The usefulness of these pamphlets will largely depend upon the interest taken in them by the alumni.

### Trustee Meeting.

A meeting of the Trustees of Hamilton College was held Thursday, August 25, at Bagg's Hotel, Utica. There were present Charles C. Kingsley, P. V. Rogers, William M. White and Geo. E. Dunham, of Utica; Hon. Ellis H. Roberts and Dr. A. M. Brockway, of New York; Prof. Edward North and Dr. T. B. Hudson, of Clinton; Gilbert Mellison, of Oswego; Charles A. Hawley, of Seneca Falls; Horace B. Silliman, of Cohoes; Hon. Theodore M. Pomeroy, of Auburn; Talcott H. Camp, of Watertown, and Charles L. Stone, of Syracuse.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, and prayer offered by Rev. Dr. Hudson. Dr. North reported favorably, and F. H. Ralsten was duly appointed director of the new Soper Gymnasium.

On motion, Prof. Samuel J. Sanders, of Cornell University, was elected Professor of Physics.

The report of the committee on nominations for president was received and read. On motion of Dr. Hudson, the board proceeded to a ballot, which resulted in

the unanimous election of Rev. Dr. M. W. Stryker, of Chicago. Prof. North, H. B. Silliman and Charles L. Stone were appointed a committee to inform Dr. Stryker of his election.

It was decided to provide for granting degrees for post-graduate study.

Various other matters of interest and importance to the college were informally discussed.

Thursday, September 15th, another meeting of the trustees was held at Bagg's Hotel, in Utica. There were present: Charles C. Kingsley, Hon. Wm. M. White, P. V. Rogers and George E. Dunham, of Utica; Dr. L. M. Miller, of Ogdensburg; Gilbert Mollison, of Oswego; Prof. Edward North and Dr. Thomas B. Hudson, of Clinton; Dr. Horace B. Silliman, of Cohoes; Dr. A. M. Brockway, of New York; Dr. George B. Spaulding, of Syracuse; Hon. Theodore M. Pomeroy, of Auburn, and Charles L. Stone, of Clinton. After the roll was called prayer was offered by Dr. Spaulding.

Dr. North made the following report regarding college affairs.

The election of Prof. Samuel J. Saunders, a graduate of Toronto University, to the chair of Physics has been accepted, and his work will begin at the opening of the fall term. He will bring a new attraction, as well for the classical course as for the Latin scientific course, by giving instruction for three terms in each college year. A generous friend of the College has made a donation of a thousand dollars for repairing and recruiting the apparatus in the physical laboratory.

By the election of Melville G. Dodge to be Assistant Professor of Chemistry and Librarian, prof. Morrill is provided with competent help in the chemical laboratory, and the work of cataloguing the library will be pushed to an early completion, with the aid of Walter T. Couper, a recent graduate of the highest rank in scholarship, whose time will be wholly given to duties in the library. Wm. P. Shepard, another recent graduate of highest rank in scholarship, has been appointed curator of the Cabinet of Natural History. Among his first duties will be the mounting of 300 specimens of Japanese butterflies and moths, recently presented by Rev. Henry Loomis, of Yokohama, a graduate of the college in 1866. He will also undertake the work of destroying the injurious insects in the entomological collections presented by Judge Thomas Barlow, of Canastota.

The appointment of F. H. Ralston to be curator of the Soper Gymnasium is substantial evidence that the college is to be provided with the best facilities for sending out graduates sound in body as well as sound in mind and character.

Rev. Wm. H. Squires will be retained as Professor of Metaphysics and instructor in Hebrew. Last year he fully satisfied the claims of this position, doing his difficult work with admirable thoroughness, and gaining the highest esteem of his associates in the faculty.

The next term opens September 22.

Acting President North then presented a letter from Dr. M. W. Stryker, of Chicago, accepting the election as President of Hamilton College. The following is a liberal extract from that letter:

CHICAGO, ILL., Sept. 13, 1892.

*To Dr. Horace B. Silliman, Dr. Edward North and Chas. L. Stone, Esq., Committee:*

*Very Dear Sirs*—After this long delay, as unwelcome and perplexing to myself as to you, I am length able to give my reply.

The question which the unexpected action of the Board of Trustees forced upon my more deliberate thought has been weighed under the best care I could give.

I am now ready to say that with my present understanding I can answer you with a firm and hopeful Yes.

It is a charge that I never sought or imagined, and I have measured as best I could both its high demands and my own obvious inadequacy at many points to meet them.

But the responsibility of this you have chosen to assume, and we must, if we go forward together, divide the dangers and the more resolutely undertake to master the difficulties.

Of your good will and of that of all the board, as well as of the faculty, I am fully assured.

A large inflow of correspondence from many strong men leads me to hope that the constituency of the college can be rallied to sustain this action and to uphold

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a careful and hopeful and ongoing administration. I put myself then in your loyal hands, and pray God to bless this act, and to overrule my deficiencies for the far-reaching good of this noble and historic trust. May we be guided by heavenly hands in our common task.

Convey my respects to the Board of Trust, and believe me, with a full heart and a humble purpose, to do all that I can for dear old Hamilton.

Yours most sincerely,

M. WOOLSEY STRYKER.

On motion of Dr. Silliman, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the trustees of Hamilton College welcome most heartily and gratefully Dr. Stryker's acceptance of his election to the presidency, and pledge our hearty and earnest efforts to provide all needed funds for making his administration a brilliant chapter of progress and prosperity in the history of Hamilton College.

On motion, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the trustees are tendered to Rev. Henry Loomis, of Yokohama, for his valuable donations to the cabinet of Natural History, and to Rev. E. P. Powell, of College Hill, and other alumni and friends of the college, for their kindly aid in meeting the financial needs of the institution.

The executive committee was empowered to make the necessary preparations for the inauguration of President Stryker, which will probably occur before or about the middle of November. It is also suggested that on the evening of the inaugural ceremonies the Central New York Association of Hamilton Alumni hold their annual banquet in Utica. Very many graduates are expected to be present at the inauguration, and the banquet in the evening will be a fitting close for what will be one of the happiest days in Hamilton's history.

After an informal discussion of various matters of interest, and those especially connected with the acceptance of Dr. Stryker, the meeting adjourned.

All the trustees present expressed themselves delighted that their trouble was at an end, and the vacant presidency about to be filled. It was frequently and earnestly said that of all the candidates mentioned, none possessed so many desirable qualities and such eminent fitness for the place as Dr. Stryker.

### Memorials.

At the September meeting memorials were presented by Prof. North for Hon. Theo. W. Dwight, and by Dr. L. M. Miller, of Ogdensburg, for Rev. Dr. Kendall, both of the deceased having been members of the Board of Trustees. The full list of the memorials follows:

HON. THEO. W. DWIGHT, LL D.

BY PROF. EDWARD NORTH.

Fifty-six years ago Theodore William Dwight, then a boy of fourteen, was preparing for college in the Clinton Grammar School, under the instruction of Rev. Salmon Strong. Apparently most of his studying was done at his home just over the way. His school tasks were an easy pastime. His chief occupation in the brick Academy seemed to be to serve as dictionary, grammar and translator for less gifted lads who were also preparing for college. In 1837, at the age of fifteen, he became a Sophomore, and was graduated in 1840 with the Latin salutatory. There was good timber for the most heroic work of church and State in the class of 1840. The college found four trustees in the class of 1840, and Theodore W. Dwight was one of them. Our State and nation found two Supreme Judges in the class of 1840, and Theodore W. Dwight was one of them. He was also a member of the Constitutional Committee of 1867. He also served the State as an active member of the "Committee of Seventy," after the crimes of Tweed were exposed. He was long a member of the State Board of Charities, and for many years was President of the New York Prison Association. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Rutgers College in 1859, and from Columbia College in 1860. There is something of pathos in the fact that he received the degree of Doctor of Laws from Yale College on the day of his death.



But the greatest glory of his 70 years was his unparalleled success as a teacher. Soon after graduation he began his work as a teacher in the Utica Academy. In 1842 he was called to a tutorship in Hamilton College, and for four years gave instruction in Greek, Latin and German. It was to him a labor of love that brought him in large measure the love of his classes. When the Maynard chair of Law, History and Political Economy became vacant in 1846, his promotion to this important professorship fired and fixed the ruling ambition of his life. One of the secrets of his wonderful success as a teacher was the exclusion of text books from the class room. Under this method the mischief of "skinning ahead" was impossible, and the class room was made an honest field of intellectual athleticism. The student's only hope of success was in making thorough preparation for each day's exercise. And what Prof. Dwight required of his students he made an obligation on himself. One day he sent dismay among the seniors by announcing that their next exercise would be to recite the Constitution of the United States from memory. They declared it an imposition, but when he appeared before them without a copy of the Constitution, and made it clear that he only required of them what he required of himself, they gave him hearty commendation. He believed in the advantage of frequent reviews. When the day's advance work was ended, he had the habit of calling upon some one of the class to take up the topic of a previous chapter, and give a full abstract of its contents and its relations to other chapters. These off-hand reviews might reach back over the exercises of a week or a month. In this way his students were trained by familiar conversational exercises to use their acquisitions with freedom, promptness and logical force. Prof. Dwight was a genuine Socrates to his students. He was with them on the common ground of personal sympathy and intimate friendship. He individualized himself to each of his students, helping each one to overcome any peculiar embarrassment or difficulty, and following each one with his helpful recognition through his aftergraduate life.

The removal of Prof. Dwight in 1858 to the Columbia College Law School introduced him to a larger field for the exercise of his remarkable gifts. He began his work in New York solitary and alone. Almost a stranger in its vast population, he entered upon what was regarded by his friends as a doubtful experiment. With no attractive outfit of rooms, or books, or assistants, in Socratic simplicity, he began with thirty-five students on bare benches in a cramped corner of the Historical Society Building on Second Avenue and Eleventh streets. Outgrowing this makeshift lodgment, the Law School was soon removed to 37 Lafayette Place, next to 8 Great Jones street, and finally to the buildings of Columbia College on East Forty-ninth street.

Prof. George Chase states that the entire number of law students in the thirty-three classes from 1858 to 1891 exceeded 10,000, and that among the lawyers now in New York city fully one-third have been members of this law school. In the beautiful tribute to Prof. Dwight on his resignation of the Wardenship in 1891, one of his students testifies that there was not a soul among his thousands of students whom Prof. Dwight failed to impress with the permanent feeling that he was a genuine friend as well as a skillful, patient and thorough teacher. His home in Clinton is enriched with costly treasures of art and literature that express the generous enthusiasm and love of his students.

Believers in the doctrine of heredity will find ample support for their faith in the character and intellectual endowments of Prof. Dwight. He seldom made any reference to his distinguished ancestry, and never save in modest, unpretentious terms. Yet no one could know him in the class room, in a popular address, in his preparation for a legal argument, or even in offhand conversation, without recognizing a select share of the best traits of the best New England character and culture. His robust and attractive personality, his life-long passion for linguistic studies, his ready conversational resources of anecdote humor and pertinent information, his intense hatred of all forms of deception and fraud, his earnest religious convictions, were striking survivals of similar ancestral characteristics in the Stronges, Woolseys and Edwardses, the Hookers, Pierponts and Woodbridges of earlier generations.

Prof. Dwight was one of the first four trustees who were elected in 1875 to represent the alumni of Hamilton College, under the amendment of its charter. He was afterwards elected a permanent trustee. For seventeen years his treasures of legal lore, his practical experiences in teaching, his wide acquaintance with prominent leaders in educational work, his loyal enthusiasm, have been freely used for promoting the growth and improvement of the college. His last appearance with this

Board of Trustees, at their special meeting, September 3, 1891, was made memorable by an eloquent address, that would have received hearty applause in our National Senate.

Wednesday forenoon, June 3, while the trustees were holding their annual meeting in the chapel of the Stone Church in Clinton, the tidings of Prof. Dwight's death were received with expressions of keenest sorrow, and the following minute was adopted:

The trustees of Hamilton College, now in session, are informed of the death of our associate and friend, Hon. Theo. W. Dwight, LL. D.

We are filled with the most profound sorrow and regret. For fifty-two years he has been a faithful alumnus and devoted friend of the college.

As Maynard Professor of Law, he raised the law department to a high standard of excellence and reputation. During seventeen years in the Board of Trustees he has brought to the service of the college large learning, sound judgment, thorough familiarity with affairs and effective attention to duty. He has endeared himself to his associates in the Board of Trust, in the faculty and among the alumni. By his life and achievements in other fields he has done high honor to the institution. We have lost a friend. The college has lost one of the chief pillars of its strength. All friends of Hamilton will join in sorrow and in honor of the memory of Theo. W. Dwight.

*Resolved*, That a committee, of which the acting President, Dr. Edward North, shall be Chairman, be appointed to prepare and present to the board and to the alumni a suitable memorial.

#### REV. HENRY KENDALL, D. D.

BY REV. L. MERRILL MILLER, D. D.

Hon. William Dexter Walcott, for many years a prominent trustee of Hamilton College and the founder of one of its professorships, died May 1, 1890. The next month Dr. James Boylan Shaw, another trustee, passed away. Since that time six other members of this board have died, viz.: President Darling, Gen. Daniel P. Wood, Gen. Samuel S. Ellsworth, Hon. John Jay Knox, Hon. Theodore W. Dwight, and on Saturday last, September 10, Rev. Dr. Henry Kendall. Sel-dom does such a Board of Trust have to record the loss of so large a number of eminently useful men and to whom the just tribute is given, they served the college entrusted to their care with fidelity, wisdom and love. Conspicuous among these was Dr. Kendall, who for more than twenty years found time amid pressing public duties to show his desire and willing work for his *alma mater*. Favored with a strong constitution and good health, and the influence of reigning grace, his seventy-seven years of life have left strong proofs of sterling character and usefulness. Born at Volney, educated in Hamilton College and Auburn Seminary, married not far away, he served as pastor four years at Verona, ten years at East Bloomfield and three years at Pittsburg. East Bloomfield was his home retreat whenever respite from labor came. There he buried his three children, and still there Mrs. Kendall remains. Strongly wedded to Central New York as a citizen, he was interested always for the college on the hill and for Auburn Seminary. When the roll of the Class of '40 was called in the recitation room, Kendall, Knox and Miller answered side by side, so that we had the opportunity to know Dr. Kendall as a constant, conscientious and ready student. Genial, conservative and decisive in his manners, he did nothing to antagonize those who differed from him, and by a frank and manly bearing maintained pleasant relations with the students as well as the faculty. These qualities he carried with him into his public life, and they guided him to success. But it was as a leading Secretary of the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church that he won his laurels as a great and good workman, in effective service throughout the broad domain of its continually enlarging borders, and occupying with general commendation the important office for more than thirty-one years. Through multiplied travels from ocean to ocean, and both North and South, he was intimately acquainted with the needs and progress of evangelical work covering our republic. In close accord and heart-beat with the many hundred home missionaries on the one hand, and on the other with the societies and churches which furnished the means of aid, Dr. Kendall was universally acknowledged as leader and guide. All who knew him will bear testimony to his great love for the work in which he not only sought the Master's will, but as a patriot forecasted his country's weal, and as a Christian the wants of thousands of his countrymen perishing for lack of vision. An incident in the last General

Assembly, held at Portland, Oregon, illustrates the estimate in which he was held by the church. When Rev. Charles F. Goss voiced the feeling respecting him and his work as the "lion-hearted, the tender-hearted, the loving-hearted Henry Kendall," a name that "stands for the broadest philanthropy, the purest Christianity, and the deepest consecration," the large audience, in an outburst of sympathy, responded with heartiest applause. In 1884 he was sent to the Belfast Council of Reformed Churches to represent his denomination as well qualified in the largest sense, to care for its interests and declare its faith, usages and manifold charities. When we call to mind his manly presence in the meetings of our Board of Trust, and his active interest in its affairs, and his wise and ready counsels, we can understand why Auburn Seminary, the Western University and the Western Reserve College should elect him to the same relations in their institutions. His departure from us will add another starred name to the roll of notable and worthy men who have served the college wisely and well, and whom its alumni will cherish in living and grateful remembrance.

#### PRESIDENT M. W. STRYKER.

Rev. Dr. Melancthon Woolsey Stryker was born in Vernon, N. Y., January 7, 1851, while his father, Rev. Isaac P. Stryker, was pastor of the Presbyterian Church in that village. His mother, a woman of rare intellectual and social gifts, was a daughter of the late Commodore Melancthon Woolsey, of the United States Navy. Dr. Stryker was graduated from Hamilton College in 1872, and from Auburn Theological Seminary in 1876. For one year, under Secretary R. R. McBurney, of the Y. M. C. A. in New York city, he held the position of assistant secretary, and in this way gained unusual skill, tact and sympathy in dealing with young men at "the parting of the paths." Dr. Stryker's first pastorate was for three years in Auburn; his second pastorate was for five years in Ithaca; his third for two years in Holyoke, Mass. In 1885 he was called to the pastorate of the Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago, as the successor of Dr. Herriek Johnson. This church has a membership of over 600, and its benevolent gifts exceed \$30,000 annually. In theology, Dr. Stryker is a conservative, with earnest hope for a more perfect unity of evangelical Christendom, and to this end he favors a briefer and more irenic creed, as supplementary to the Westminster standard.

As a preacher he is earnest, untrammelled by notes, and fertile in new views of familiar truth. He is fond of musical and literary studies, which give brightness and charm to his evangelical spirit, without weakening the clearness and vigor of his sermons. He holds high rank as a poet and hymnologist. His poem before the Society of Hamilton Alumni would compare favorably with the best anniversary efforts of Holmes and Lowell. He is the author of a number of popular hymns: "The Alleluia," 1890; "Church Praise Book," 1881; "Christian Chorals," 1884; "Church Song," 1889; "Choral Song," 1881. "The Song of Miriam and Other Hymns and Verses," was published in 1888. Dr. Stryker has the youthful vigor, the social, religious and intellectual qualities, the personal magnetism, the practical knowledge of affairs, the enviable reputation, the large wealth of resources as a preacher, popular orator and writer that give promise of brilliant success as a college president. He is tenderly and loyally attached to his mother college. Among the classmates who will welcome his call to the Presidency are Prof. A. G. Benedict, of Houghton Seminary, Prof. H. C. G. Brandt, of Hamilton College, Rev. Prof. Arthur S. Hoyt, of Auburn Seminary, Prof. Brainard G. Smith, of Cornell University.

#### Newspaper Comment.

Dr. Stryker's election as President of Hamilton College was made the occasion of very general and very favorable newspaper comment. The *Chicago Journal* of September 16, said:

Dr. Stryker, who now asks to be relieved of the charge of the Fourth Presbyterian Church, has been pastor of that congregation for more than seven years, being called there eight years ago this fall. He assumed the charge in April, 1885. His eloquence and his zeal in the work have made him beloved of his whole congregation, who now regret his departure, though, it is considered, to a field where his usefulness will have a wider scope.

Dr. Stryker's name has been before the Board of Trustees of Hamilton College in connection with the presidency for some time, but it was not until last month that direct overtures were made to him, and he was finally called in the face of his



declared inability to consider such an offer. The actual unanimity of the board in proffering the position, together with the faculty, the strong pressure, and clear good-will of great numbers of the alumni, his own regard for his *alma mater*, and a sense of the possibilities of such a position, have conquered his reluctance.

The Chicago *Tribune* in the course of a long article said:

A member of the Fourth Church and an intimate friend of Dr. Stryker's family, said: "I hope for the sake of our church that Dr. Stryker will not accept the call to Hamilton College, but I know how dear he holds that institution, and if he thinks that it is his duty to go there—that the call is something more than a worldly one—he will go and temporal consideration will have no weight."

Dr. Stryker is known as a preacher of forcible and scholarly sermons. He has written a number of hymns, issued a collection of Sunday school songs, and is the author of a volume of religious poems called "The Songs of Miriam."

The Fourth Church has prospered greatly under his pastorate. The contributions for mission work at home and abroad have increased largely and the missionary efforts of the members have been wisely directed. Dr. Stryker helped in the building up of the Italian Mission, and the Howe Street Mission of the Fourth Church has prospered beyond expectation. Through his efforts the sittings of the Fourth Church were made free at night, with the result of bringing into the service people that had not before been reached. The Fourth Church pays Dr. Stryker \$8,000 a year.

John H. Cuninghame, '66, managing editor of the *Utica Herald*, said in that paper September 16:

The alumni and friends of Hamilton College are to be congratulated. Rev. Dr. M. W. Stryker, of Chicago, accepts the office of president tendered him some three weeks ago. That office, vacant since the death of Dr. Darling in April, 1891, has now been filled in a manner which will earn for the trustees the thanks of every friend of the college. Hamilton, for the first time in her history, has called one of her sons to the presidency.

Dr. Stryker, a graduate in the class of '72, knows the past of his *alma mater* and her present needs. He will enter upon the duties of his office having the full confidence of the alumni, and his past career in dealing with men is an earnest of success in his relation to that most important body, the undergraduates of the college.

Dr. Stryker is to be congratulated. In accepting the proffered position it becomes necessary for him to renounce the pastorship of one of the largest Presbyterian churches in Chicago and in this country, and he will be compelled to sever many dear ties and to forego many cherished ambitions. But he will give his life to the service of his *alma mater*, and he enters upon a work glorious in its possibilities.

The Chicago *Inter-Ocean* said editorially:

The report of a few days ago, that the Rev. Dr. Stryker, pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of this city, had decided not to accept the call to the presidency of Hamilton College, was not only without foundation, but has proved to be just the opposite of true. It was based on an interview which was an unmitigated fake, having no basis of genuine information. After giving the matter careful consideration, Dr. Stryker has accepted the call. His church was united and earnest in urging him to remain with them. During his seven years' pastorate it has been greatly prosperous and highly useful. Dr. Stryker is an eloquent preacher and a devoted pastor. His removal will be a serious loss to the pulpit of Chicago.

Hamilton College is one of the best known institutions of higher education in the country. It has some three thousand living alumni, many of them occupying places of eminence in all the professions. Judge Anthony, Franklin H. Head, the late Daniel Shepard, the Rev. Dr. William Alvin Bartlett, are among the Hamiltonians well known in Chicago. It has always been notable for the attention given to rhetoric and oratory, and consequently for the good English and eloquence of its graduates. As the president of the college is also the pastor of the college church, Dr. Stryker will not be retiring from the pulpit, albeit entering upon a radically new field of labor. Hamilton is to be congratulated upon its good fortune. It may be added that Dr. Stryker will be the first alumnus chosen to the presidency. There have been eight presidents before him, the longest term being that of the Rev. Simeon North, D. D., LL. D., whose presidency extended from 1839 to 1857. The new president is a comparatively young man, and has in

him the promise of many years of great usefulness. He will be all the better prepared to hold the helm of a large college from having spent the seven best years of his life in Chicago, and become a typical Chicagoan of the first grade.

The *Utica Daily Press* of September 16, said editorially:

It is great cause for congratulation that Dr. M. W. Stryker, of Chicago, has at length decided to accept the presidency of Hamilton College. When the subject was first mentioned to him he feared it would be impossible for him to accede to the wishes of the trustees and become the executive head of the institution. He frankly said that he feared it would be unwise to use his name in that connection, because of the improbability of his favorable consideration of the proffered honor. No clergyman could be more happily located than Dr. Stryker is in his Chicago church. Beside being the recipient of a large salary, larger indeed by some thousands of dollars than that offered at Hamilton he is surrounded by loyal and admiring friends who find it a pleasure to contribute to his comfort and who cordially support him in all his efforts for the church. A recognized leader of religious thought in a great city, a speaker and writer whose services are much sought and highly prized, his acceptance of the call to Hamilton is accompanied by not a little which many would regard as a sacrifice. But Mr. Stryker is clearly a man who believes in doing his duty, and when once convinced what his duty is, all other considerations are lost sight of in his willingness to undertake it. The motive which actuates him in entering upon the important office of the presidency are the most commendable which can actuate any man. His decision is of itself an index to the character of Hamilton's new President. The college, its alumni and its friends are to be congratulated upon Dr. Stryker's acceptance, made public yesterday. He is a man of remarkable ability as a student, a writer and a preacher. He possesses in a large degree the qualities and characteristics which go to make up a successful President of any educational institution. He is an alumnus of Hamilton and loves his *alma mater* and will serve it loyally. He has the confidence and esteem not only of the denomination to which he belongs, but as well of all the Christian church. He has a force of character which will make itself felt in the affairs of the college and the community where it is located. The acceptance of Dr. Stryker marks a new era of prosperity for the college on the hill. It brings a new life, new zeal, new enthusiasm, and the alumni and friends of the college, scattered all over this United States, hail his coming with sincere congratulations and all will join with him in the effort to add new successes to the institution they love so well.

### **The New Professor of Physics.**

The appointment of Prof. Samuel J. Saunders, of Cornell University, makes it certain that the chair of Physics in Hamilton College will be filled by an expert thoroughly trained for his chosen work, and thoroughly tested in the rare gift of inspiring students with his own enthusiasm for the study of physical science. Prof. Saunders is a graduate of Toronto University, where his high rank in classics and mathematics was followed by a post-graduate fellowship in physics. His three years of successful service as Assistant Professor of Physics under Prof. Nichols, of Cornell University, have broadened his experience and made him familiar with the best methods of laboratory practice and the latest improvements in physical apparatus. With the accession of Prof. Saunders, the Latin Scientific course will be complete and attractive to young men who prefer that line of undergraduate studies as candidates for the degree of B. S.

### **Director of the Soper Gymnasium.**

At the last annual meeting of the Hamilton alumni they resolved to raise a fund for the salary of the Soper Gymnasium, and Prof. Oren Root was appointed their agent for this purpose. His success is so nearly complete that the trustees, at yesterday's meeting, appointed F. H. Ralsten to the office of director and instructor. This appointment will give satisfaction to the students. They have already been trained by Mr. Ralsten for athletic contests and they know his worth both as a man of unblemished character and a skillful gymnast. Special thanks are due to Prof. Root for his activity in securing this good result.

### **An Assistant in the Rhetorical Department.**

A new addition to the faculty has been made by the appointment of Delos DeWolf Smyth as Assistant Professor of Rhetoric and Elocution. Since his graduation in 1890, Prof. Smyth has followed his chosen lines of special study both in Germany and in Harvard University. His brilliant successes in undergraduate work give prestige and the highest promise to the new duty which he now undertakes in connection with Prof. Scollard's department.

### **Additions to Memorial Hall.**

Visitors to Memorial Hall, in the college library, will find there reminders of what the college has recently suffered in the death of members of the faculty. Portraits of Rev. Dr. Henry Darling, the eighth president, and Dr. Ambrose P. Kelsey, the first occupant of the Stone professorship, are examples of the best work of M. B. Ray, of Utica.

### **The Silliman Spoon.**

As a pleasant memorial of college days, recent graduates heartily welcome the souvenir spoon, which carries an accurate view of the new Y. M. C. A. building, as it stands at the southern entrance to the campus. A noble Christian thought is beautifully expressed in this attractive building. The Silliman spoon is sold by William S. Taylor & Son.

### **A New Scholarship.**

The latest addition to the twenty-five permanent scholarships of the college is that of the Geneva Presbytery, which worthily rewards the perseverance of Rev. J. Wilford Jacks, of Romulus, and others who have aided him in this undertaking. The occupant of this scholarship will be named by the Geneva Presbytery, one of the smallest of the thirty presbyteries in the Synod of New York. It has furnished a good example of what might be done for higher education, if other presbyteries were equally mindful of their debt to the college that gives to the Synod of New York more than a thousand dollars annually by the remission of bills to its candidates for the ministry. For a special encouragement, a generous friend of the college has promised to add \$500 to any scholarship of \$1,000 that is endowed by one of the presbyteries of New York.

### **Work for Hamilton Graduates.**

The following appointments for graduates of Hamilton College have been recently made in various branches of educational work: Rev. Charles K. Hoyt, '70, President of Oswego College for Young Ladies, Oswego, Kan.; Rev. Dr. Edward C. Ray, '70, Secretary of Presbyterian Board of Aid for Colleges, Chicago; Rev. J. Arthur Jones, '73, Professor of Sacred Rhetoric in Colgate Theological Seminary; Dr. Leigh R. Hunt, '74, Superintendent of Schools in Corning; Rev. John G. Blue, '77, Financial Agent of Carroll College, Waukesha, Wis.; Prof. George Griffith, '77, Superintendent of Schools in Utica; Franklin A. Spencer, '82, Professor of Mathematics in Rugby Academy, St. Louis, Mo.; Prof. Edward N. Jones, '83, Principal of Plattsburg State Normal School; William C. Kruse, '85, Principal of Congregational College, Ridgeville, Ind.; James B. Hastings, Principal of Stamford Seminary; William T. Ormiston, Professor of Chemistry in Robert College, Constantinople; Frank H. Robson, '87, Master of Languages in Pingry Institute, Elizabeth, N. J.; Frank S. Tisdale, '88, Principal of Union School, Orange, N. J.; Walter S. Knowlson, '89, Principal of Sherturne Union School; James D. Rogers, '89, Greek Fellowship in Columbia College; Charles H. Warfield,



'89, Principal of Boonville Union School; George H. Minor, Professor of Mathematics in Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.; Calvin S. Lewis, Professor Education in Orchard Lake Institute, Michigan; Ransom H. Snyder, '91, Principal of Holland Patent Academy.

The following are all graduates in the Class of '92: George S. Budd, Assistant Secretary in the Y. M. C. A. of New York city; Fred H. Davis, teacher in Lyons Union School; Carl H. Dudley, Professor of Greek and German in Pritchett Institute, Glasgow, Mo.; Martin C. Findlay and Henry S. Verrill, Professors in Park College, Mo.; Robert B. Marvin, Professor in Carthage College, Mo.; Frank W. Tilden, Professor in Greek and German in Carroll College, Wis.; Frederick W. Welsh, Instructor in Preparatory School of Rutgers College, N. J.; Charles W. Yeoman, Professor of Latin and Greek in Delaware Institute, Franklin.

The *Utica Observer* said:

Best of all, Rev. Dr. Stryker is called to the Presidency, and accepts. The canvass was a careful one, and it is felt by all classes of people that exactly the right man has been called. He is notable for his progressive views, his breadth of purpose, and his fine, wholesome manhood. He accepts with the distinct avowal that Hamilton must go right on broadening out. The Alumni Committee for laying the affairs of the College before its friends is supplemented by a Committee of the Trustees with a similar purpose. It is purposed to endow four professorships as soon as possible—one of physics, one of metaphysics, one of biology, and one of history and civic institutions. A physical laboratory is also on the programme and enlarged resources for the library and water works.

### Opening the Term.

The *Utica Daily Press*, September 22, said:

The fall term at Hamilton College opened yesterday. All the old students are back and there are forty-five enrolled in the Class of '96. The faculty were in their accustomed places, with the exception of Dr. Stryker. The following letter was read by Dr. North from Dr. Stryker and was received with hearty enthusiasm:

28 WALTON PLACE, CHICAGO,  
Sept. 19, 1892.

DR. EDWARD NORTH:

*My Dear Friend*—Now that it is done, my heart and thought turn eagerly to the new labor and fellowships. As I plan to be on the hill for a day or two of next week, and shall then be able to say my greetings in person, I will not now do more than give to the whole body of students my hearty salutations.

It is a regret to me that I could not be present at the opening of the term, and that still a few weeks must pass before I can undertake my duties with you. But there will be no delaying beyond the time absolutely needful to set all matters here in proper order and to leave the fewest possible unfinished remainders.

Now at the outset I bespeak the good will of all the undergraduate men. May the year begin with energy and enthusiasm, and go on with loyalty to all the tasks in which, faculty and students together, we are to do our stubborn best to set Hamilton to the fore.

May God's abundant blessing strengthen and crown our work!

With this message let me also give my most hearty regards to the faculty and students, and to you, Dr. North, my respectful and affectionate thanks.

Sincerely and hopefully yours,

M. WOOLSEY STRYKER,

*President-elect.*

The accustomed row between the sophomore and freshmen classes took place directly after chapel exercises. Neither side was victorious. In the wrestling matches the freshmen won the heavy and light weight contests, and the sophomores the middle weight. The sophomores won the 100 yards dash and succeeded in getting a freshman to the well. The rows were hotly contested, but no one was injured. Everyone seemed good natured. An effort is being made to remove the most objectionable feature of the hazing system, viz., the interference by the sophomores with the personal liberty of freshmen.



Everything looks very bright for Hamilton now. There is a corps of fourteen professors, all men of ability and experience. The incoming class is a large and promising one, and the ranks of the other classes are all well filled. Encouraging letters have been received from many of the alumni, and it is expected that the college will be visited frequently by the alumni this fall.

Utica *Herald*, September 22 :

Dr. Stryker's letter by President North, read before the students at the opening of the collegiate term and year, yesterday, is surcharged with ardent interest in the institution over which he is to preside. It is admirably calculated to win the confidence and regard of the undergraduates, and will strengthen the satisfaction felt, by all friends of the college, with the election of Dr. Stryker to the presidency.

Dr. Stryker will move to Clinton with his family during the early part of November.

The chapel exercises Wednesday morning, September 28, at Hamilton College, were attended by a more than usually large number of people and a more than usually large amount of interest. The attraction was that it had been announced President M. W. Stryker was to appear and make an informal address to the students. After the regulation opening exercises, conducted by A. G. Hopkins, the Professor said :

This is a red letter day for the college. Prof. North, with his characteristic modesty, has devolved upon another the duties which properly belong to himself and has asked me not to introduce President Stryker to the members of the college, but simply to pave the way for his making some remarks.

This will not be President Stryker's maiden speech in this chapel. He made his maiden declamation here some twenty years ago, and though since then he has made many addresses, I doubt if he has ever made any which seemed to him quite so eloquent and profound and far reaching as that Freshman declamation which he delivered from this platform twenty years ago. He comes here no stranger. These scenes are as familiar to him as to any one of us. I doubt not that the echoes of that Freshman declamation are rolling about somewhere in the corners of this chapel, and if he should put his head in here some Wednesday or Saturday afternoon exercises, he might hear the identical declamation, or one about Sheridan's Ride, the Fall of Pemberton Mill, or the Erection of the Obelisk in the Square of Rome, or something equally prehistoric. Men may come and men may go, but the college declamation goes on forever. But I do not intend to make Dr. Stryker's speech for him, or to take from him the time which we all want him to use for himself. It is a very peculiar pleasure and privilege of the faculty and the college in general to introduce to the students President Stryker. [Applause.]

As he introduced President Stryker and that gentleman rose to his feet, the chapel resounded with the hearty cheers of the students. When the applause had subsided Dr. Stryker said :

It is with great embarrassment that I have to respond to such a reception, for I am accustomed to speaking to companies of people that are more reserved in their demonstrations of satisfaction. All the same I appreciate it very greatly, and I know the welcome of your hands is from your hearts, and I thank you, Professor Hopkins and Dr. North, and through you the others of the faculty and all of you, gentlemen, my friends. I come here this morning in the simplest way, to do anything but make a declamation. I am free to say that Professor Hopkins' words touched a very deep chord in my heart. I have, since I came to this town, and it is all too long—I am ashamed to tell you how many years it is since I last was in the town of Kirkland—I have been somehow emancipated from the conditions of time. It seems to me I have lost my reckoning. I am like Washington Irving's man on the Catskills, waking up from a twenty years' sleep. As I came up the red shale walk this morning, it seemed to me that I could see the faces and touch the hands of those who were with me when I last came up those steps to answer the summons of the chapel bell.

I am now here only to salute you in the simplest fashion, having no carefully prepared extempore remarks, and will speak to you, if I may, in the most conver-

sational way, and it is with feelings of gratitude that I feel my feet on this ground—gratitude not only for the sparing mercies of the great and good God, but gratitude for that which flows in upon me, a feeling of my indebtedness, my never half appreciated indebtedness to what this dear old College Hill was to me in undergraduate days, and my indebtedness, unconscious, unwatching, to what it has been to me all the years since I left it. I am thankful for that. It seems as if I were standing really almost a freshman here again, and I do not feel in my heart a day older than I did when I sat under that pillar yonder and waited for Professor Upson to call me. It was not quite as Professor Hopkins says, twenty years ago, but it was twenty-five years ago when first I was up here with knocking knees determined to show the seniors of Hamilton College how to do it. [Laughter.] It is with great satisfaction that I am able to put myself in touch with those past days through the hands of some who then were here; it is a comfort to find Dr. North here, and Professor Hopkins and others dear to me in the faculty. It is a source of hope to me, and puts my feelings at once *en rapport* with the possibilities of the future.

On the commencement stage twenty years ago I spoke on "Dreams," and I want to say that in all the romance, and there was a great deal of it, in all the romance of my college imaginings, I never dreamed of such a thing as that I should ever stand to this college as I am now to stand. That was beyond the wildest vagaries of my boyhood.

I am sure you will pardon me if I use the first personal pronoun this morning, if I speak of some of the things that have brought me to this place and some of the things that lie before us, because it shall be our endeavor to serve and stand together, and all to lift the flag of the college higher if we can than it was ever lifted before. I would speak with frankness, and recognizing that you understand that as yet I have no special or technical preparation for the work to be done here. When Parepa Rosa was once asked how she came to marry Carl Rosa, she replied, "It was because he asked me." I should say it was because I was asked that I had dared, I can almost say presumed, to accept this trust. But of course I could not be here if I had not been asked, and so I am most glad to share the heavy end of the responsibility with those that did this deed. That I have dared to attempt to stand in this place is, first of all, because I love this college. My own occupations, my own course of life, my own special fitness, so far as I have any, are related to a different line of work. I do not feel these administrative labors are by any means contradictory to the work of the pastor and preacher, but it is different from it and my thoughts and plans lay all along that line. Chicago impresses herself everywhere, and I love that city, but when carrying the question home in my own heart, and it was a very full heart, when weighing on the one side all the interests, the plans, the schemes and activities that claimed me in that western city, weighing against the untried possibilities here and the possibilities of mistake or regret, putting all these things together and trying earnestly to see the end, I found, somehow, welling up in my heart a feeling that might come to one, who, after long years, sets his eyes on the old roof tree and quaffed the water from the old homestead well, and I never knew until I pulled at them how deep were the roots of my affection for this dear old Hamilton College. It was because I so loved the college I found it impossible to say no. And then the second thing was that I love young men. I love young men because I myself yet claim to be one of them. I love college men. I have always said in my heart if God would ever put in my way an opportunity to do anything that would make a college man braver and truer in his task, to steady the steps of another that he might not make some of the mistakes that I made, I would be grateful to do that. And the third thing that controlled my judgment in this decision was that I should not be removed from the relation to men of minister and pastor. If another college had called me to such a place I could, within an hour, have said no. If it had been this college and I had not been able to continue in the chosen work of my life I should have said no. I would stand with you and with those to follow you in the relation of a Christian minister, of a personal friend, and whatever administrative and official duties may lie before me, the foundation of our common understanding shall be that, and so I claim your friendship and speak thus as I would speak if speaking to a group of young men who, in a new church work, were to be my strong reliance.

Many of these duties are remote from the analogies of church life, yet the simple and cordial relation of a genuine minister to his church, to the young men of his church, may be ours here. May we realize something of that sincere and direct friendliness. I have heard that "when a man's talk is chiefly of his ancestry, the

best of that family is evidently underground." And it is true that when one forgets his ancestry he ought to be underground. We can not lie down upon our traditions nor upon our forefathers, but we must not forget them. Our wealth of associations, of high names of large constituency, all the romance of our part is a goodly, a great heritage. Let us remember that we may hope and not walk backward into the twentieth century. We must do our work as our seniors did theirs.

Apart from the kind assurances of trustees, faculty and alumni, I am thankful for your voice as students. The student life measures critically the actual present of any college, its dimensions, its hopes. If through all the classes, whatever else may divide, there runs this united spirit, we may set our good college name among the highest. May the spirit of the truest manliness guide you. In this may even the newest among you stand from the start as high honor men—specimens, samples, of the work here done. There is no time of life more susceptible to frank, ingenuous pleas. My deepest heart answered as wax to a seal when I was twenty to straightforward words. It is to these deep chords I long to speak and know I shall not speak in vain. I pledge you all to stand with us of the faculty to a common task with a common purpose and mutual trust. At the foundation of all good work, if we do it, must lie the truth that "we are not our own." We belong to our God, and must have Him to hold us to our duties and strengthen us to carry them through. The men who have gone out from this chapel and are working for the good of this college ask: "What classes have you?" "What are the students doing?" "What is the sentiment of manliness?" "What is the standard of honor?" And it is possible for the body of present students who now make up the classes to set such a pattern, to be such a splendid quartette of fidelity that the music shall roll over the land with the fame and honor of our *Alma Mater*.

Now I will add this appendix to what I have said: I am not familiar with the views of the faculty of the college, and I do not know what steps have been taken in the matter. My plan is formulated in the most general way. I assume that either on the 12th or 21st of October there will be some recognition of the fact that there was a man named Columbus. I assume that the students will, with the assistance of the faculty, have something special for that day, do something that is patriotic, and some one else and I just put our heads together. There were some Aldermen debating how to have a wooden pavement, and one of them said: "Gentlemen, all we have to do is to put our heads together and the thing is done," Frank S. Weigly, Class of '75, of Chicago, and I put our heads together, and I said: "Weigly, I am going down to that old hill, and I don't know whether those boys have a flag or not, and I will give a flag; if you will give a flagstaff as tall as you can and I will give a flag to fit." He agreed, and I hope on that day you will throw that flag as a specimen. Not only now but in all other years of the loyalty of Hamilton College to her country. I ask that each class appoint a man to act with Prof. Hopkins in selecting a proper place for the staff, and when it is raised I will see that you have a flag.

When he had finished there was again loud and long applause. When it had subsided Prof. Hopkins introduced Rev. J. G. Blue, who said:

This is not the first time Prof. Hopkins has confused me. He has done it several times and in several languages. He has done it in the matter of college history this morning. I understood Dr. Stryker graduated in the class of 1872, and it has puzzled me to understand how he could have delivered Freshman declamations twenty years ago, his Senior year. I see his head is not streaked with God's white warning of immortality, and I began to wonder if he had not discovered the secret of immortal youth. I see he is starting the right way in correcting any mistakes, and if this is a token of his success he will be successful as President. If I can find legs to stand on and lungs to speak with after my unusual morning exercise in climbing the old hill, which I have not done in twelve years, I will try to give a welcome on behalf of the Western alumni.

In my new home in Waukesha it is my privilege to meet many people from the South. Some of these acquaintances have ripened into friendships which, I trust, will be enduring. The last Sunday I was at home, after the service, one of them invited me to the South in these words: Come to the South and we will give a royal welcome. Our home shall be your home, and so in behalf of the busy, earnest West, in the language of the warm-hearted South, we give you a royal welcome. I saw this royal welcome given you yesterday as we came off the train by the representatives of the faculty. I saw Prof. Brandt with his face flushed with pride, welcome his classmate and give him a cordial hand grasp. When you come to



our annual banquet next January we will show you what kind of a welcome we can give Hamilton's new President. It is a great thing to come to Chicago for the college, for the eyes of the world are turned to that city, and now following you some of its reflected light will shine here. We welcome the new President with mingled love and pride. We love him for what he is and are proud of him for what he has done. I am sure his success in the past will be prophetic of his success in the future. We welcome you not only because of your ability to give, but for your Christian character. May God's blessings rest upon the college and her new President.

The students were then dismissed in class order and they stopped outside the chapel door to give three rousing cheers for the new president and for his class. President Stryker lingered in the chapel for a few moments and held an informal reception, having a pleasant word for the score or more crowded around to extend their sincere congratulations and express their hearty wishes for his success.

In the afternoon Prof. Brandt tendered a reception to Dr. Stryker at his handsome home, "The Willows," on College Hill. The members of the faculty were present, and the following residents of Clinton who are interested in college affairs: Dr. Hudson, Rev. Chester Hawley, Prof. A. G. Benedict, Rev. E. P. Powell, Gen. Smyth and Prof. Thomas E. Hayden. The presiding officers of the various college organizations were the members of the student body who were present. Dr. Stryker exchanged a few words with each of the students and made a very pleasant impression upon all. Shortly after three o'clock refreshments were served by Caterer White, of Clinton.

The guests and college boys who had the opportunity of meeting Dr. Stryker were alike very much pleased with the new president.

The customary reception to the Freshman Class was tendered by the Y. M. C. A. in Silliman Hall last evening. The occasion was also a welcome to Dr. Stryker by the entire college.

The reception room of the hall was well filled at 8 o'clock. Among those present were Professor and Mrs. Root and daughter, Miss Alie; Professor and Mrs. Brandt; Rev. Charles Hawley and wife, and a number of young ladies from the Cottage Seminary; Professors Saunders and Hopkins, Dr. Stryker, and about 100 students.

After the Freshmen had been introduced to the other classmen, devotional and literary exercises were held in the prayer room. Clinton C. Brockway, president of the Y. M. C. A., presided. The programme consisted of devotional exercises, singing, Scripture reading and prayer, led by Dr. W. R. Terrett.

The address of welcome was delivered by President Brockway, who said :

"We have met here to extend a most cordial welcome to our already beloved President, Dr. Stryker. I think it is the feeling of the young men of this college and association, that we are very glad that you are to be among us. This morning we listened with a great deal of satisfaction that you loved young men, and that you would be as a pastor and Christian minister to the students at Hamilton. We greet you as one who will work with us and for us. We greet you as one who, as a pastor, will instruct us and aid us. We can welcome you to a college where students are living onward and upward. The students come back to the college to uproot and cast down everything that is casting shadows on the college. You are coming at a time when the interests of the college are looking very bright. If you could have heard the expressions among some of us about the uplifting of the college with your aid and our assistance, you would have been very grateful. This is a time that we have looked forward to for many months and we are very grateful that we can greet you this evening as President-elect of Hamilton College."

Mr. Brockway, in his remarks, voiced the sentiments of the entire body of students.

David Roberts, '94, in behalf of the Junior Class, welcomed the incoming class in a neat speech, and in conclusion made a few remarks of welcome to Dr. Stryker.

Prof. Root was called on and responded happily and eloquently. "The heart of



Dr. Stryker was turned to Hamilton," said he, "because his steps were turned hither. I remember how large hearted and whole-souled Dr. Stryker was as a college boy." Prof. Root spoke of college associations in an eloquent and touching manner, and continued: "Not very long ago a graduate of Harvard and a prominent Utica lawyer, said there was something worth learning in Hamilton College, and that he also believed that there were more successful graduates of Hamilton, in proportion, than Harvard. I believe," said Prof. Root, "that it is partly because there is so much heart culture in Hamilton." [Loud applause.]

Dr. Stryker was greeted with great applause and spoke briefly. "I am thankful to go home with a heart very full," said he. "I shall come very far from being a homesick man. I am more than convinced there is a work here to be done and I am glad to be here to share it. I had not thought of this as an honor, but as a trust; and I hope I don't fail to humbly appreciate the honor; but it is a trust, and every trust is a task. I am thankful that I am again to enter college. I think there is something in the romance of this college that is very great, and that it is true that Hamilton men have their hearts in the work. I hope the time may never come when Hamilton men shall be afraid to stand up before men and say what they know. If you are a good man you are wanted, and if you are one of the best men you are wanted in one of the best places. I am thankful to stand in this room, and I am thankful for the experience I received down in New York in Y. M. C. A. work, even if my college course occupied five years instead of four. I believe that the Y. M. C. A. has a great power for good. I thank you again very much for the many things which I have seen and heard—tokens of the great future of Hamilton College."

After singing, refreshments were served in the reading room of the hall. The members of the committee having charge of the reception, Messrs. Burke, Os-trander and Seymour, were very successful in their efforts.

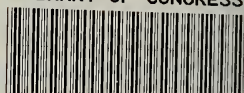
The *Interior* says:

"Rev. Dr. M. W. Stryker, of the Chicago Fourth, has accepted the presidency of Hamilton College. It is said that Dr. Stryker was in touch with all the denominational and general moral and religious interests of the city; but that we cannot agree to. It is not his way to be in touch with anything of importance. He grabs it with both hands and pushes or pulls as the case may be; and yet he has the rare faculty of doing highly effective work without obtruding his personality. Dr. Stryker has been one of our very best men for general interests, and his devotion to the honor and reputation of the Fourth Church has even been regarded as extreme. It is never himself, but his cause, that appears in the foreground. It will be so in his new undertaking. The public will not hear much of Dr. Stryker, but they will see that some new and potent element has entered into the forces of Hamilton College, and is pushing it with remarkable energy and success to higher and broader results. Underlying his brilliance there is a sort of very resolute manliness, and any quantity of the solidest common sense."

"We do not know whether Hamilton College is to be congratulated on the coming presidency of Dr. Stryker, of Chicago. It depends on what that college desires. If it wants a good, easy, quiet jog-trot of a time, pointing complacently, as we have seen it do, to its eminently respectable catalogue of alumni, and resting on its acquisitions of honor and property, it has selected the wrong man. But he will not rush them. His energy is not in the line of aerial disturbance."

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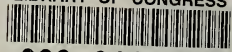


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1826. Hon. AUSTIN SMITH,.....Westfield.
1827. Rev. ALBERT WORTHINGTON,.....Ambler, Montgomery Co., Pa.
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1831. Hon. JOHN COCHRANE,.....Box 250, New York City.
1832. Dr. WAITE W. BREWSTER,.....Austinburgh, O.
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1849. Rev. ALFRED M. STOWE,.....Canandaigua.
1850. Pres. DAVID H. COCHRAN, PH. D., LL. D., Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn.
1851. Rev. THOMAS B. HUDSON, D. D.,.....Clinton.
1852. Hon. GILBERT WILCOXEN,.....Seneca Falls.
1853. Rev. EDWARD P. POWELL,.....Clinton.
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1869. Prof. WILLIAM L. DOWNING,.....Utica.
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1871. BENJAMIN RHODES,.....Niagara Falls.
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1873. JOHN W. O'BRIEN,.....Auburn.
1874. Rev. EDWARD M. KNOX,.....Kaysville, Davis Co., Utah.
1875. Rev. EBEN B. COBB,.....Elizabeth, N. J.
1876. Rev. ARCHIBALD L. LOVE,.....St. Louis, Mo.
1877. WILLIAM C. MCADAM,.....Duluth, Minn.
1878. Rev. GEORGE S. WEBSTER,.....107 East 45th Street, New York, N. Y.
1879. LOTUS N. SOUTHWORTH,.....Winston Building, Utica.
1880. ROBERT J. KNOX,.....St. Paul, Minn.
1881. Prof. ANDREW C. WHITE, PH. D.,.....130 East Seneca Street, Ithaca.
1882. Dr. B. W. SHERWOOD,.....1225 So. Salina Street, Syracuse, N. Y.
1883. WM. H. WILCOXEN,.....Seneca Falls.
1884. Prof. JOSEPH A. ADAIR,.....Hanover College, Hanover, Ind.
1885. Rev. WILLIAM G. WHITE,.....Cuba, Allegany Co.
1886. Rev. J. BEVERIDGE LEE,.....Philadelphia Pa.
1887. Prof. ARTHUR M. SEEKELL,.....Union Springs.
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